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TAGS: OVIP (MINISTER CHEDLI AYARI)

SUBJECT: MINISTER AYARI'S TRIP TO U.S.

REF: TUNIS 0061

1. AYARI TOLD ME AT AIRPORT BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE
JANUARY 5 THAT PRESIDENT HAD ASKED HIM TO RAISE WITH
DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS GOT'S CONCERN FOR "SECURITY" AND
ITS NEED TO AUGMENT ITS MILITARY EQUIPMENT. I BRIEFED
AYARI ON WHAT I HAD TOLD MINISTER KHEFACHA
AND INDICATED THAT, AT BEST, USG MAP GRANT AND FMS CREDIT
ASSISTANCE WOULD BE DROP IN THE BUCKET IN VIEW OF SIZE
OF PACKAGE, ESTIMATED INFORMALLY AT BETWEEN \$300 - \$400 M.
AYARI SAID THAT TUNISIAN BUDGET IS TIGHT AND AMOUNT OF
RESOURCES THAT COULD BE PROVIDED FROM TUNISIAN SIDE IS
LIMITED. HE ASKED ABOUT EXIM BANK FINANCING. I INDICATED
THIS NOT POSSIBLE FOR MILITARY PURPOSES.
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